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CLASSIFIED BY AMBASSADOR ANNE W. PATTERSON FOR REASONS  
 1.5 (B) AND (D).

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 SUMMARY:  
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
 REVIEW AUTHORITY: ALAN H FLANIGAN  
 CLASSIFICATION: CONFIDENTIAL REASON: 25X6  
 DECLASSIFY AFTER: 12 APR 2027  
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END SUMMARY.

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COLOMBIAN GOVERNMENT SUPPORTS  
NEW HEAD OF VENEZUELAN GOVERNMENT  
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2. (U) IN A TELEVISED INTERVIEW, ACTING COLOMBIAN  
FOREIGN MINISTER CLEMENCIA FERERO SPOKE WARMLY ABOUT  
VENEZUELAN INTERIM PRESIDENT PEDRO CARMONA. FERERO SAID  
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SHE HAS KNOWN CARMONA FOR MANY YEARS, THAT CARMONA IS  
WELL KNOWN TO THE COLOMBIAN BUSINESS COMMUNITY, IS  
COMMITTED TO REGIONAL INTEGRATION, AND IS A GREAT  
FRIEND OF COLOMBIA. [REDACTED] TOLD THE  
AMBASSADOR THE SAME: CARMONA IS WELL-KNOWN TO THE GOC  
AND HAS WORKED CLOSELY WITH THEM ON A NUMBER OF ISSUES.

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COLOMBIAN MEDIA REACTION  
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5. (U) CHAVEZ' OUSTER SHARED TOP BILLING IN COLOMBIAN PRINT AND ELECTRONIC MEDIA ON APRIL 11-12 WITH THE DRAMATIC FARC KIDNAPPING OF 12 DEPARTMENTAL LEGISLATORS IN CALI. THE LEADING BOGOTA DAILY "EL TIEMPO" DECLARED THAT CHAVEZ' PRESIDENCY WAS ENDED BY THE DEATHS OF VENEZUELAN DEMONSTRATORS, INFERRING THAT MILITARY PRESSURE FORCED HIS RESIGNATION AFTER CIVILIANS WERE KILLED. COLOMBIAN NEWSPAPERS HAVE NOT YET PUBLISHED ANY EDITORIALS ON THE RESIGNATION. GIVEN THAT CHAVEZ' RESIGNATION CAME WELL AFTER REGULAR PRINT DEADLINES, THERE WAS VIRTUALLY NO OPPORTUNITY FOR MEDIA REACTION. WE EXPECT CONSIDERABLE, MORE FORMAL REFLECTION ON THE SITUATION IN VENEZUELA IN ALL MEDIA OVER THE WEEKEND.

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COMMENT:  
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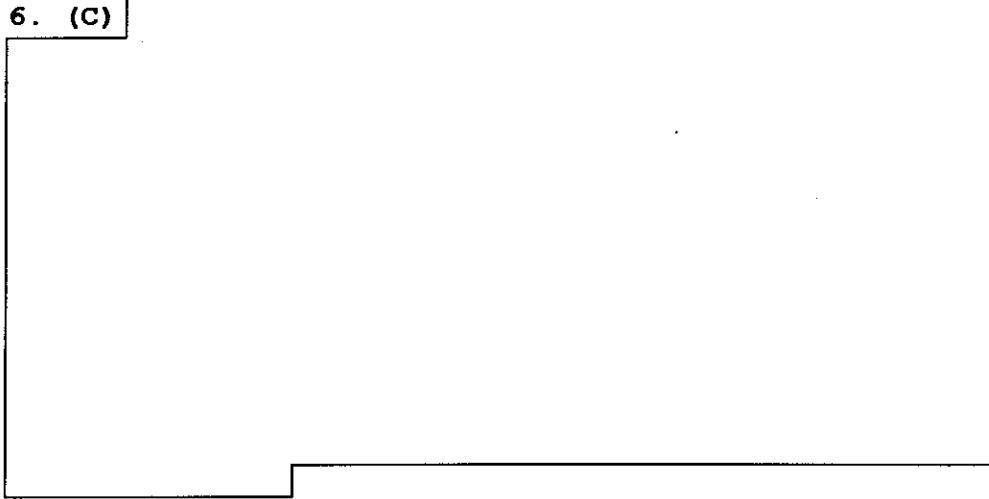
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